

RACIAL PROFILING DATA/2000

**Agency: Manchester Police Dept.**

**Population: 13,940**

age 18 and over

KEY INDICATORS	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Stops	1280	1184	50	12	30	4	0
Searches	80	69	8	2	1	0	0
Arrests	57	46	7	1	3	0	0
Statewide population %	N/A	86.38	10.41	1.82	1.43	1.03	0.99
Local population %	N/A	92.40	2.53	1.36	4.44	0.35	0.51
Disparity index	N/A	1.00	1.54	0.69	0.53	0.89	0.00
Search rate	6.25	5.83	16.00	16.67	3.33	0.00	#Error

**Notes:**

Population figures are for those who are 18 years of age and older. Figures are from the 2000 Census (driving-age figures are not yet available).

Black, Asian, and American Indian includes persons of mixed race. Other race includes unknown race.

The disparity index = proportion of stops / proportion of population. A value of 1 represents no disparity; values greater than 1 indicate over-representation.

Search rate = (searches / stops) X 100.

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TRAFFIC STOP STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Violation leading to stop	Moving	1032	958	37	8	25	4	0
	Equipment	126	116	7	2	1	0	0
	License	154	140	8	2	4	0	0
Stop outcome	Citation	1092	1013	39	10	26	4	0
	Warning	179	165	10	2	3	0	0
Location of stop	Interstate hwy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	US hwy	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
	State hwy	635	579	25	9	18	4	0
	County road	330	307	15	1	7	0	0
	City street	306	289	10	2	5	0	0
	Other	7	7	0	0	0	0	0
Driver gender	Male	865	804	35	10	14	2	0
	Female	415	380	15	2	16	2	0
Driver age	17 and under	128	127	0	0	1	0	0
	18-29	612	568	25	5	13	1	0
	30-39	259	234	14	3	6	2	0
	40 and over	281	255	11	4	10	1	0

SEARCH STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Probable cause/ authority to search	Consent	17	16	1	0	0	0	0
	Inventory	21	18	3	0	0	0	0
	Drug/alcohol odor	19	14	3	1	1	0	0
	Incident to arrest	62	52	8	2	0	0	0
	Plain view contraband	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Reasonable suspicion-weapon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Drug-dog alert	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
What searched	Driver	70	59	8	2	1	0	0
	Car/property	74	64	8	2	0	0	0
Search duration	0-15 minutes	63	58	5	0	0	0	0
	16-30 minutes	18	12	3	2	1	0	0
	31+ minutes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra-band found	Drugs/alcohol	10	10	0	0	0	0	0
	Currency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Weapon	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Stolen property	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest charge	Outstanding warrant	26	23	3	0	0	0	0
	Drug violation	8	8	0	0	0	0	0
	Resist arrest	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Offense against person	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
	DWI/BAC	26	23	1	1	1	0	0
	Property offense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	20	15	4	0	1	0	0

## Agency response

The Disparity Index of 1.54 in black motorists would appear to be flawed, or at least not an accurate representation. A check of our 50 traffic stops show only 1 of 50 black motorists cited, or “.02%” resides within our boundaries. Yet, as I understand it, the City of Manchester’s population figures are used for these calculations. It seems to me, that perhaps a regional, or even a state-wide population would be more representative for all, be it white, black, Hispanic, Asian, American Indian or other. Also, only 19 or “1.6%” of the total 1,184 white motorists cited reside within our city. Other than the 1 black, no other races reside within our community. Therefore, 20 of the 1,280 motorists cited or “1.56%” reside in the City of Manchester. I am not trying to be flippant, but unless you have a captive population so to speak, such as the former Eastern Berlin communist countries, too many variables enter into the end product that this report endeavors to take into account to make it truly meaningful. Our community of 19,161 (2000 census) has 2 major state highways, i.e. 100 and 141, that some 100,000 cars pass along daily. With over 60 municipalities alone, within St. Louis County, in addition to St. Louis City, and unincorporated St. Louis County in our metro area, I am sure nearly all are represented by motorists who travel this route on a daily basis. Again, it is not clear what population

figure should be applied, but using a given community's population as the basis, appears to skew the end interpretation result.